

Boxers are Prone To Stand Over Opponents When Down

Though Rules Require Fighter to Return to Corner, the Referees Allow Most of Them to Stand By, Ready to Follow Up Advantage as Soon as Fallen Foe Struggles to His Feet.

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MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 27.—There is one rule in the Queensbury code that few boxers ever live up to, and that is in regard to where an opponent is knocked down. The rule states very plainly that in the event of one being knocked down, the other shall retire to his corner and if the knockdown happens to occur in said boxer's corner, then he shall retire to a neutral corner. But in most cases the boxer who has scored the knockdown tries to stand over his opponent, or directly behind the referee who is counting, in order to gain an advantage the moment the man on the mat rises. This same thing happened in one of the preliminary bouts at Hudson, Wis., last week, where the Pat Brown-Johnny Tillman contest was held. The bout in the fourth round, between two welterweights and one of them scored a clean knockdown. The referee had to push the man away so that he was better able to count over the fallen man.

In the excitement the referee, who knew better, forgot to send the man to his corner. This same thing happens at nearly every boxing show where a knockdown is scored.

Headed Inward. The boxing game was given a big boost when the committee of the International Athletic association voted to have boxing included in the 1916 Olympic games at Berlin. Efforts were made to prevent boxing being included in the program, but the committee, after giving it every consideration, decided that boxing was entitled to a place, and as a result there will be all kinds of amateur boxing events at the games in Berlin in 1916.

It is certain that the United States will send a large delegation of amateurs to compete in the tournament to be held in Berlin, and there is little

doubt but that Australia will follow suit. France has taken such a great interest in the fighting game the past few years that the nation will surely have a full entry from the amateur ranks, and the same can be said of England, so that all in all there should be some interesting contests as a result.

Breakers Ahead of White. Charley Wells, the Chicago light-weight, is going to have a tough time in Denver on July 16, when he meets Stanley Yaskum, who is considered another battling Nelson in that district. They are to meet in a 10 round contest, and according to form, Charley should be able to make the Yaskum boy see several kinds of stars. But you never can tell what these rough and ready fighters will do. Yaskum fought a round draw with Rudy Tabor at Las Vegas, N. M., the night before the Johnson-Flynn championship battle, and since then he has been meeting some very good boys around Denver, showing improvement right along. So much in fact, that the followers of the game in Colorado are rather keen on him against any man of his weight. And they think he will be able to lower Mr. White's colors when they meet.

Walt Wells, the former British light-weight, who lost his crown to Freddie Welsh, has put in a claim for the welterweight championship of the world. Wells returned recently to England from Australia and has issued a challenge to the world, and offers to back himself from \$1000 to \$5000 a side. While in Australia, Wells defeated Ray Branton, who laid claim to the title in America, and he also defeated Tom McCormick, who twice defeated Johnny Summers, the European welterweight champion.

McGraw Tries To Discredit Herzog

Draft Is Doomed On Pacific Coast

MANAGER John McGraw of the New York Giants is up to his old tricks, trying to discredit Charles Herzog, leader of the Cincinnati Reds in small ways. He refused to permit a Herzog day at the Polo grounds, and blocked the plan for a Herzog night at a New York Theater. In Herzog the Reds have a man who is a grand ball player and a reliable leader. Herzog was recently approached by Federal league agents with an offer to jump to the new league, who are shy of managers. Charley turned the proposition down so quickly that the man who made it ducked.

In a recent statement Jack Johnson, negro heavyweight champion of the world, made the best of his narrow escape from defeat was at Las Vegas when he met Jim Flynn, the tough Pueblo fighter, and he took it to task of condition. Only an over-zealous New York state guard prevented the fight from being held in the long run. Flynn, continually insulted on jumping into the air and fouling the clinder by hitting with his hand, a number of Cleveland writers at the rinkside so contented at the time, among them being W. W. Naughton, Sandy Glavin, and John Day.

That the draft is doomed in the Coast League is the belief of Henry Berry, president of the Los Angeles club. Coast league magnates, according to reports, have grown weary of having their clubs "shaken down" by the majors each and every spring. August, Berry is of the opinion that baseball has outgrown the draft, as it applies to class "AA" clubs, and also has a hunch that the very existence of this class of clubs is being abolished. Few well informed men believe that the Coast league is ripe for major league.

Ad Wolgast has partially abandoned the famous "hit" and made famous by himself. "In this coming fight with Rivers, the fans will see me must be in my right mind, they saw me in my fight," declared the little Cadillac Dutchman. "I have come to the conclusion that stopping over so much hurt my wind and cramped my other organs. I think that shadow boxing, particularly while in this position, caused me a lot of trouble at one time." Both Ad and Rivers are training hard for their scheduled 25-round bout until the 10th of July. Tom Jones, manager of Wolgast has wagered several thousand dollars on the fight.

In at least three cities, Federal league club owners are on the ragged edge. Chairman Harrmann of the national commission announced recently that he has positive information that the club owners are losing \$150,000 a month, which means over \$1000 a day. This tremendous deficit is being borne by the Wards of Brooklyn, Westham of Chicago, and Hall and Steininger of St. Louis. Organized ball will financially assist the Baltimore International league team until the Fed. blow from that city. The Buffalo club has been purchased from its present owners and will be run by organized ball.

Armando Marana, the Cuban star infielder, has been temporarily enjoined by Federal Judge W. E. Sawyer from playing with the St. Louis club of the Federal league. Marana is retained from playing until the case is argued on July 8, at St. Paul. The granting of a temporary injunction was not a surprise to St. Louis officials, who to dispute the injunction when the case is tried on its merits. The Cuban has repeatedly stated that he will not play with the Federal team again. Marana was sent back to second base to plug the position made

Hills Are Producing Athletes

Cornell Develops Fast Runners

ITHACA, N. Y., June 27.—The Tompkins county hill country is becoming celebrated here as a breeding place for athletes. Cornell's latest two mile champion, Johnny Hoffmire, and the college's first two mile champion, Warren B. Schutt, who after becoming an Oxford Rhodes scholar, both came from that section and had never run before entering this university, except as their rugged outdoor life called for the exercise of their legs.

Schutt established a new two mile record for the intercollegiate games when he ran the distance at 9:40 in 1913. Hoffmire made a new two mile record the other day in the stadium when he ran the distance in 9:24.3. This comparison represents the sum total of what has been accomplished in lowering the two mile mark at the intercollegiate, although Cornell in Tell Herra produced a man four years ago who beat Hoffmire's mark to smother him in a two mile race against Penn in a dual meet here. Herra ran the distance in 9:17.5, new outdoor figure, not made at any intercollegiate meet. Herra the same year set up new intercollegiate figures but they were broken later by Wilmington of Harvard whose mark in turn was broken by Hoffmire this year.

Walks Developed Endurance. Schutt who came from a farm in Ellis Hollow, six miles from this city, was very good boy around Denver, when he attended the local high school. These walks, it is believed, did a great deal to develop his strength and endurance. He came to Cornell a green freshman. He has not only developed into a cross country star but in 1913 established a new record for the two mile run and the following year won that race again. Then he went to Oxford, Schutt by the way, is

Fighters Have Temperaments, Too

Lots Of Them Have Funny Notions

NEW YORK, June 27.—Fighting men are as temperamental as prize donors and almost as hard to manage. In the opinion of Jimmy Dime of Newcastle, Pa., who has been in the business of managing and training fighters almost since the time that Chris Columbus cast anchor off Sandy Hook or wherever it was he did cast anchor.

"They're a hard bunch to handle unless you just get the knack of it," declares Dime, who at present, has as big a "stable" as any man in the country. "Some of 'em you've got to humor. Others you have to browbeat. You have to study their temperaments and figure out just the right method for each. When you discover the method and apply it, the rest is easy."

"Big Dan Daily, the heavyweight in my string, used to have a fondness for pastrys, with cream puffs as his particular specialty. Everybody knows that pastry isn't good for fighters. I told Dan so but he said he guessed it wouldn't hurt him. Finally I forbade his eating pastry. But he used to slip away and eat his fill at a neighboring restaurant."

At last, Dime said, "But I fixed that finally. Took

the restaurant man in my confidence. The next day when Dan called for cream puffs he got them. But he noticed something peculiar about them. The delicious flavor was gone. And he kept noticing that peculiar flavor every time he ate the cream puffs. Pretty soon he decided that cream puffs did not agree with him. And he quit. The flavor that he noticed was almond, which had been injected in the cream puff."

Another a Tango Fiend.

"Tommy Jones, one of the light-weights in my string, is a tango fiend. Tangoing is all right if it isn't overdone—but what tangoer doesn't overdo it? Tommy used to slip away at night, and go to tangoing instead of sleeping. I finally had to cut Tommy's tangoing ideas by instructing one of the men that he works out with to slip over a punch that would blacken Tommy's eye. No matter how crazy a man is to tango he isn't going to slide around a dance floor wearing a black eye. At any rate Tommy didn't."

Chip Crazy About Jewelry.

"Joe Chip, a middleweight, and brother to George Chip who was a middleweight title claimant until Al McCoy put him out, has a strange

fondness for jewelry. Where other fighters think of banking their money, Joe thinks only of investing it in diamonds and rubies. He has quite a collection of gems now, and he wears them every moment he is out of the ring. He wants to wear them in the ring, contending that they wouldn't hurt his fingers, but I finally convinced him to the contrary by hiding his jewelry on the night of his fight.

Pastidious About His Face.

"Patsy Brannigan, the bantam, is what might be called a duds. Patsy aims to be immaculate in his street dress and usually is. He never goes into a fight before he gets his hair cut, his face shaved and is treated with a massage. It seems funny that a man who is facing the prospect of having his face battered up pretty well in the next hour or two wanting to have it beautiful beforehand, but that's the case with Patsy.

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